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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th/October, through Sunday, 12th/October there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/M, FR, FW, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PZ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9N, VK9W, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/o, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA (JOTA)

Members of the Tunisian Scout Amateur Association (CAST) will be on the air during the Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) between October 17-19th. Look for the following stations to be

on the air: 3V8SM (Djerba Island - AF-083), 3V8CB, 3V8SQ (Monastir) and 3V8ST (Tunis). QSL via the bureau; for direct, please no currency.

4L, GEORGIA

Gia, 4L4WW, will be active as 4L0A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via EA7FTR.

5J0, SAN ANDRES ISLANDS (NA-033)

Dennis, K7BV, will once again return to San Andres and be active as 5J0M between June 19th and July 5th, 2009. He will again be concentrating on 6 meter Sporadic Es. HF bands will be activated as well. QSL direct to W1JJ via the QRZ.com address. For more details and update, visit the following Web page at:

http://www.qth.com/k7bv/caribe2009

5Z, KENYA

Valery, 5Z4/RW1AU, reports that a keyer has arrived from his friends in the U.S., so he is now active on CW from the 5Z4RS Club Station in Nairobi. Until now, Val has been 100% SSB. Val is as active as possible during his work assignment in Kenya; usually at night and on weekends. Over the past weekend, Valery was spotted on CW using the 40/20/17/15/10 meters. There were also a few spots on 15 and 10 meters SSB. QSL via K5XK, per info on QRZ.com for RW1AU and K5XK.

8P, BARBADOS

Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

8Q, MALDIVES

"Oku" Seiji, JK1KSB, will be active as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island (AS-013), a south Ari Atoll (LOC:MJ63jo), between October 26th and November 1st. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via JK1KSB, by the bureau or the address on **(QRZ.com)**.

9K, KUWAIT

Operators Hamad/9K2HN, Faisal/9K2RR, Yaser/9K2YM and Andrzej/ SP4R will be active as 9K2HN during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via info on **(QRZ.com)**.

9L, SIERRA LEONE

An Italian team of operators is now active as 9L1X from Sherbro Island (AF-056) until October 23rd. Operators are: Silvano/ I2YSB (9L1M), Vinicio/IK2CIO (9L1X), Angelo/IK2CKR (9L1A), Marcello/IK2DIA (9L1K) and Stefano/IK2HKT (9L1E). QSL via I2YSB, direct only. For updates on the DXpedition, visit:

http://www.i2ysb.com

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS

Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU) and Hajime/AH0BR will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via 7L1FPU.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS

Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Masashi/7L1FFH (KH0TL) and Hajime/AH0BR will be active as AH0BT between November 8-9th. They plan to be active in Japan's International DX Phone Contest as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via 7L1FPU.

AH8, AMERICAN SAMOA

Ulrich, DL2AH, was active this past weekend as AH8/DL2AH on 40/20/17 meters. He is on Ofu Island (**OC-077**). Length of stay is currently not known. ADDED NOTE: Surprise operation by former QRZ-DX editor Bob Winn, W5KNE, who was active as W5KNE/NH8 for a one day operation on October 9th. Bob is currently on a cruise with his XYL in the Pacific.

AO8, CANARY ISLANDS (AF-004)

Operators Pekka/OH1RY/EA8AH, Juan/EA8CAC, Manuel/EA8ZS, Toivo/ES2RR, Rein/ES5RW, Kari/OH1HD, Kari/OH5XT and Juha/OH9MM will be active as AO8A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via OH1RY.

B7, CHINA

Operators BA7JC, BA7IN, BA7IA, BA7JA, BD7IXG, BD7MFB, BG7PMS and BD7JSQ will be active as B7P during CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. QSL via BD7IXG.

BX5, TAIWAN

Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5 is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA.

C5, THE GAMBIA

Just a reminder that Andre, ON7YK, will once again be active as C56YK this week between October 13th and November 9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, perhaps also 160m, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will only have 100 watts and will use a Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10m and a dipole for 80/40/30 meters. This will be a holiday style operation. For more details and updates, visit the Web site at:

http://www.on7yk.net

C5, THE GAMBIA

Also active this week from C5-land are members of the Spanish "DX4DX TEAM" who will possibly be signing as C56EA between October 14-24th. Operators mentioned are: Paco/EA4BT (Team Leader), Ramon/EA4NA, Emilio/EA7AAW, Julio/EA7JB, Salvador/EA7SB and Jose/EA7LS. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY modes. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at:

http://www.dx4dx.com

CE9, ANTARCTICA

Jose, CE1KF, announced that he will be with a team of operators from Valparaiso's CE2AA Radio Club to activate "Base Naval Arturo Prat" in the Antarctic next year in January 2009. They plan to work all bands on CW, RTTY and SSB. More information is forthcoming in the coming months.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND

Nakamishi, JJ2NYT, will be active as CE0Y/JJ2NYT between October 16-19th. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15 meters, and possibly 80m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign

. CN98, MOROCCO (Special Callsign/Event)

Andre, HB9HLM/CN2DX, will be using the special callsign CN89NY during his stay between December 21st and January 3rd (2009). He states that the special callsign was issued to celebrate the end of the year 2008 ("8"), the beginning of the year 2009 ("9") and the New Year ("NY"). QSL via EA7FTR. Andre will be active from a beach house along with CN8PA and CN2CV/HB9CVC. They will operate 2 stations at the same time using an IC-7000 and TS680 with a AL811hcxe PA into a windom antenna for 160-10 meters with an extension running east-to-west for 30 and 15m, and another G5RV (40-10m) running north-to- south. Some other CN operators will be involved with this callsign from other locations, but details are not completely finalized and will be forthcoming. This special callsign will be active until January 31st (2009). For more details and updates, watch Andre's blog at:

http://cn2dx.hb9eme.ch/cn2dx-blog/?p=115

CW5, URUGUAY

Jorge, CX6VM, will be active as CW5W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th -- as a Single-Op/Single-Band [?]) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th -- as a Multi-Single). QSL both operations via CX6VM.

DL, GERMANY

Rich, N0HJZ, will be active as DL/N0HJZ from the QTH of Tom, DL2OBO, between October 22-28th. He plans on putting a full time effort in the CQWW DX Phone Contest (October 25-26th) as well. Rich states, "I hope to work everyone that I've worked from my other stops on my world tour!" QSL direct to his home callsign or by the LoTW.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA

Hiroyuki, JI1JKW, will be active as FO/JI1JKW from Manihi Atoll (**OC-131**), French Polynesia, between October 12-16th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, but mostly 20m, using CW and SSB. QSL via JI1JKW, direct or by the Bureau.

HC5 & HC8, ECUADOR AND GALAPAGOS ISLAND

Operators Nobuo/JA6GCE, Shinichi/ JA6SOV and Naomi/JM6EBU (YL) will operate from Ecuador between October 24th and November 2nd. Hiro/HC5WW and the above three JAs will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-Op/Single-TX/High-Power entry. Their contest callsign will be HD5J. Outside of the contest they will operate as homecall/HC5 on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. After the contest they will travel to

Galapagos Island, and they hope to operate from there as homecall/HC8 until November 1st. However, their operations will be limited because of sightseeing. QSL information is as follows:

> HD5J via JA6GCE
> JA6GCE/HC5, JA6SOV/HC5, JM6EBU/HC5 via their home callsigns:
> JA6GCE Nobuo Matsuoka, 7-10-3 Toroku, Kumamoto, 862-0970 JAPAN
> JA6SOV Shinichi Morita; 4-2 Moai-machi, Yatsushiro, 869-5153 JAPAN
> JM6EBU Naomi Mihara, 598-1 Miyahara, Hikawa, 869-4602 JAPAN
> HC5WW and HC5WW/HC8 via JA6VU: Masaaki Kano, 712 Kagami, Kagami-machi, Yatsushiro, 869-4203 JAPAN

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Ted, HI3TEJ, will be active as HI3T during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. His rigs are a FT-2000 and FT-950 into a 4 element SteppIr, 40m dipole, 160/80 vertical and a EWE on the low bands. QSL all operations via ON4IQ.

HQ2, HONDURAS

Operators Dan/HR2DMR, Pete/HR2PAC and Tony/HR2DX will be active as HQ2W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via HR2DMR.

IOTA NEWS

AF-019. Tony, IK1QBT, will be active as IG9X from **Lampedusa Island** during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single- Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. Look for him to be active before the contest as IG9/homecall. QSL both callsigns via IK1QBT.

EU-124. An eleven man team will be on the air as GB4HI from **Holy Island**, Wales, between October 24-31st. Activity will be on all bands and modes, and they will try to activate some lighthouses. Operators mentioned are: MW0DOL, MI0TMW, MM0DHQ, G8LGC, 2E0NNH, M0RGB, SP3CW and possibly others.

EU-169. Last week we mentioned that a group of Italians would be active from Albania as ZA0/homecall between October 23-29th. We learned this past week that they plan to be active from **Sazan Island**. Activity will be on all HF bands including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK13 and meteor scatter. Operators are Alfredo/IK7JWX, Nicola/I0SNY, Pino/I8YGZ, Leopoldo/I8LWL and Oscar/IK2AQZ. QSL via their home callsigns. QSL Manager is IK7JWX, but "only for DL stations". Other reference numbers are ARLHS ALB-004 and WLOTA LH-0028.

J49, CRETE (Update)

An Italian team will be active as J49I from here between November 26th and December 1st. Look for activity before and during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) on 160-10 meters, mainly CW. Operators mentioned are: Franck/I0UZF, Andy/IK0EFR, Franck/IK0YUT, Luigi/IK0YUT and Iari/IZ0FWD. QSL Manager is IK0EFR.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA

The ARRL DX Bulletin reports that Masa, JA6GXK, will once again be active as JD1BMM between October 16th and November 6th. He will be on a work assignment, so activity will be limited to his spare time. Look for him on 160-6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

K5, UNITED STATES (IOTA, USI and LH Op)

Approximately 15 members of the Magnolia DX Association, Inc., will activate East Ship Island, Mississippi, during the period October 16-19th. The callsign K5S will be used during the entire 4-day period, plus the callsign K5Z will be added during the last 2 days as an entry in the W/VE US Islands QSO Party. East Ship Island qualifies for IOTA NA-082, US Islands MS009, and Lighthouse USA-756. Please visit the following official Web site to learn all about this exciting event at:

http://www.k5s-na082.com

They look forward to putting your callsign in the log on all available bands/modes... 80-10 meters, CW, SSB, and RTTY!

KH2, GUAM (OC-026)

Joel, KG6DX, will be active as KG6DX in the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

KH2, GUAM (OC-026)

Operators JA1OZK, JA1CGC, JF1TAB, JH1FUD, JL1LOW, JK1DRM and 7N1AZY will be active from November 8-12th. Activity will be on all HF bands including 30/17/12m using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. JA1OZK will be signing as K6Y (1x1 callsign). Other operators will possibly be using their own callsigns (probably portable KH2). QSL via operator's home callsign, by the bureau or direct to their callbook addresses.

KP5, DESECHEO ISLAND (Update)

A Web site still under construction is now available online at:

http://www.kp5.us

LX, LUXEMBOURG

Philippe, LX2A, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL is OK via LX2A, by the Bureau, direct and LoTW (no EQSL). His Web page is:

http://www.lx2a.com

NEW SUNSPOT REPORTED

Space Weather News **(http://spaceweather.com)** reports on October 11th: "A 'new-cycle' sunspot belonging to Solar Cycle 24 is emerging near the sun's northeastern limb. This is the third time in as many weeks that a new-cycle sunspot has interrupted the year's remarkable run of blank suns. The accelerating pace of new-cycle sunspot production is an encouraging sign that, while solar activity remains very low, the sunspot cycle is unfolding more or less normally. We are not stuck in a permanent solar minimum. Readers with solar telescopes should train them on the sun this weekend to observe sunspot genesis in action."

ON50, BELGIUM (Special Event)

Look for members of Belgium's UBA Waasland section (WLD) to be active using special callsign ON50WAASLAND to celebrate their club's 50th anniversary through the end of the year. Activity this past week has been on 30/20/6 meters. Modes have been RTTY and CW. A QSO counts for 10 points towards the "WLD Award". Make two QSOs on two different bands or two different modes with ON50WAASLAND, and you can apply for the "WLD Award". Rules and information can be found on the following Web page at:

http://www.wld.uba.be/

This beautiful multi-colored A4 format award contains all the armorial bearings off the different regional communities. QSL via ON6WL, by the UBA Bureau.

P3, CYPRUS

Operators Sandy/RW4WR, Dmitry/RX3DCX, Andrei/RA6LBS, Alex/ RW3RN, Harry/RA3AUU, Alex/5B8AD and 5B4AIA will be active as P33W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RA3AUU. This is a DXpedition style operation from a portable QTH.

P4, ARUBA

John, KK9A, will be active as P40A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via WD9DZV.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

QSL ROUTES by Johannes, DK8JB:
VU2UPQ direct
YC6EN direct
YO600BC via YO8AXP
ZS1AFS direct; G0CAJ (bureau)

Paul, **A35RK**, reports to OPDX that he has mailed his September log to Bob, W7TSQ, and posted his QSOs to the LoTW on October 5th. He also mentions that Bob has already a "pile" of cards ready to go in the mail. Paul states, "My October log will be posted around the 21st. After that, there will not be any new log submissions until January 1st, including the KH8/KK6H operation in December."

An online log is now available for **CN2IPA** per Gab, HA3JB (SU8BHI). He states that he has a new Web site with a log search (thanks to Sven, DL5AZA) at:

http://ha3jb.p8.hu

If you have a question, please write to: **ha3jb@t-email.hu**

DU9/N0MM PIRATE. Mike, N0MM/4, wants to inform as many as possible of a PIRATE, using his callsign with the prefix DU9/N0MM. Mike states, "This illegal operator appears to be active at present, and has been operating using my callsign DU9/N0MM for approximately 3 years now! (based upon received QSL cards to date [Oct. 2008]). The QSOs seem to be all on CW(?), on the 80-40-20 and 17M bands! My permanent QTH is now and has been constantly for the past 5 (five) years, here in Florida/4 USA. I have never operated in or from DU9 land, so please for your own peace of mind (and mine), and to avoid disappointment - 'DO NOT QSO

THIS OPERATOR!' And please do not send me your QSL cards and GREEN STAMPS!"

KL7DX QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Ron, AC7DX, reports that the KL7DX (**NA-234**) QSL cards have arrived from the printer and are being processed now. Cards will go out "first come" basis. Ron states, "I will try to get all direct cards received out ASAP. This is a colorfull folding card."

QSLS VIA LOTW: 4D75J, 4U1UN, 5K3T, A35RK, CT1ILT, CU2JT, DV1JM, E51YAQ, F6HKA, G3TXF, GI5K, HI3T, HC8N, HK3TU, IK4MGP, J39BS, KG4SS, KG6DX, LX7I, LY2IJ, ON4AEK, P49X, RL6YXX, RZ0AF, S59ABC, S50R, YL4HQ, YV4A, ZF2DF, ZK1DI and ZY100S

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0JK, 3DA0VB, 5H3VMB, 5W0HH, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 7Q7VB, 7X0RY, 8P9/AC4LN, 9H3F, 9X0VB, A43HI, A43MI, A45WD, C91R, C91VB, E7HQ, FW1W, HI8/AC4LN, HQ8R, J20VB, K7A, KP2AD, OX3MC, TO5E, V51AS, VE8RCS/VY0 and Z2/UA4WHX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

STRANGE RADIO EVENT

Just a reminder that the Strange Radio Event is next weekend between 0600z, October 17th and 2200z October 19th. To obtain an impressive "Strange Radio Event Certificate", you need to contact 5 different S.R.T. special callsigns (Mode: SSB only). For complete details on the event and the SRT, please visit the official Web site of the Strange Radio Team at:

http://www.strangeradioteam.com

Some of the stations to look for are:

7S0SRT via SM0IMJ	**YU05SRT via YT3W**	**II5SRT via IZ5BTC**
DZ1SRT via DU1IVT	**II0SRT via IS0LFZ**	**IO5SRT via IK5ZTT**
EG3SRT via EA3GHZ	**IU0SRE via I0YKN**	**IR6SRT via IZ6GSQ**
GB0SRT via M0KCM	**IR1SRT via IZ1GJK**	**IU7SRE via IZ7CRW**
PD05SRT via PD5CW	**II2SRT via I2JJR**	**II8SRE via IZ8GNH**
W1SRT via W3IZ	**IR3SRT via I5JKI**	**IU8SRE via IK8WEJ**
V55SRT via IZ8EDJ	**IU3SRT via IZ3DBA**	**IQ8OM via IZ8EDJ**

T2, TUVALU

Remember to look for Anci, JA2ZL, to be active from here this week. Anci and his XYL are visiting Tuvalu (**OC-015**) for a family vacation between October 14-21st. Activity will be on 80-12(10) meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV. He will use a small (500w) amplifier, loop antennas and vertical antennas. Callsign will be issued after entering the country. QSL via JA2ZL, by the JARL bureau or direct to: Anci Yamada, 17-8-2 Takiro-cho, Tazimi, 507-0813 Japan. No e-QSL.

T6, AFGHANISTAN

Frank, PA2MRX, will be active as T6/PA2MRX between October 17th and November 2nd. Activity will be limited to every day between 1900-2200 (T6 local time), weekends, also other times when time and work permits. Operations will be on 20 meters/QRP using PSK31, RTTY or CW (via computer). QSL via PA2MRX. Visit his Web page at:

http://members.home.nl/mmarx/PA2MRX/PA2MRX.htm

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI

After his T33ZZ operation (see T33 below) Toshi, JA8BMK, is planning to be active as T31DX from here between November 20-30t. Activity, modes and the equipment will be the same as his T33 operation. Toshi indicates that days may vary because of ship trans- portation to the island. QSL via JA8BMK, direct.

T33, BANABA ISLAND

By the time you read this, Toshi, JA8BMK, should be active as T33ZZ through October 23rd. Toshi operates on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. He will concentrate on EU and USA openings on the lower bands and the 30/17/12 meter bands. He will use a FT-897D (w/HL-1.2Kfx) into a vertical, a yagi and an Inverted V antennas. QSL via JA8BMK, direct.

TC4, TURKEY

Pertti, OH2PM, will activate the TC4X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th). Operating category was not provided. QSL via OH2BH.

TC85, TURKEY (Special Event)

Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will activate the special station TC85TC to celebrate the 85th anniversary of the Republic of Turkey. The activity will be between October 23rd and December 2nd. The first 85 direct QSLs will be replied to with a special Turkish Post Office stamp together with a CD about Turkey. Activity will be mainly on 17, 20 and 40 meter bands. QSL Manager is TA1HZ.

TO5, ST. BARTHELEMY (Update)

It was announced this past week that the stateside team is ready for their 10 day operation from St. Barths, and they will be active as TO5DX from October 16-28th. Their activities will include the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Team leaders Janet/W8CAA & Joe/W8GEX, Dave/K4SV, Phil/W9IXX, Jim/K0RH and Joe/AA4NN. They plan to be on CW, SSB, SSTV, PSK and RTTY before the contest. They will try to post the logs daily on the following Web site (if they have InterNet access) at:

http://www.to5dx.com

The crew will be looking hard at the Pacific for VK, ZL and JA stations. QSL Manager is AA4NN. SASE please to: Joe Blackwell, 6391 Baker LN, Lake Wylie, SC 29710 USA. Watch the Web site for updates. The team would like to thank W5BXX, W4NL, N8AA and IDXF for their support, and to Gerard, F2JD, for his help with the license. Donations may be sent to W8GEX.

TO8, MARTINIQUE

John, VE3TG, will guest Op from Laurent's, FM5BH, QTH and be active as TO8Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Highh-Power entry.

VK9D, WILLIS ISLAND (OC-007)

Operators Markus/DJ7EO, Heye/DJ9RR, Chris/ DL1MGB, Dietmar/DL3DXX,

Tom/DL5LYM, Ben/DL6FBL, Dieter/DL8OH, Robert/SP5XVY and Joerg/DL8WPX are now active as VK9DWX until October 27th. Four stations should be on the air with amps on 160-6 meters using CW/SSB/RTTY. The team so far has been very active on all bands except 6 meters. As this bulletin was being typed, the team has made 13,406 QSOs at 0533z, October 12th. QSL via DJ2MX. There are some updated pictures available on their Web page. For more information and updates, visit their Web page at:

http://www.vk9dwx.de

VP2, ANGUILLA

Operators Ray/KC5EA and Gordon/N5AU will be active as VP2EC during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Multi-2 entry. They will be active on all bands except 20m for the multiplier. QSL via N5AU.

VU4, ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS/VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS (Update)

If you missed **OPDX.878.2**, permission has been given to activate this once very very rare islands again by the Indian Government. Both VU4 and VU7 used to be ranked in the "Top Ten Most Wanted" by "The DX Magazine", but now rank 38th and 64th, respectively. Press releases by Mr. S. Suri, VU2MY, Chairman of the NIAR, and Bharathi, VU2RBI, states that a team of seven Indian operators will activate the callsign VU4MY from "Circuit House Haddo" in Port Blair, Andaman Island, between October 24th and November 3rd. Also, a German team of two operators (Helmut/DL5DSM and Norbert/DJ7JC) will activate the callsign VU4RG during the same time from Hotel Sinclair in Port Blair.

ADDED NOTE: Look for VU4RG in the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th). More details are available in **OPDX.878.2**.

Also, in a press release from Bharathi, VU2RBI, look for four Indian nationals and German operators Franz/DL9GFB, Jan/DJ8NK and Juergen/DF7TT to be active as VU7SJ from a "Beach Resort" on Agatti Island (AS-011), Lakshadweeps, between October 24th and November 3rd. QSL via DL9GFB. Also, operating during the same time, Indian nationals Madhu/VU2UWZ and Nisha/ VU2NIS will be signing VU7NRO from "Hotel Keerthi" on Kadamat Island (AS-011), Lakshadweeps. QSL via VU2UWZ.

ADDED NOTES: All operations have permission to operate on 3790-3800 kHz and 10100-10159 kHz. All of this activity is part of the Silver Jubilee celebrations by the National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR).

XU, CAMBODIA

Retu, OH4MDY, will once again be active as XU7MDY from Sihanoukville between October 23rd and November 8th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Suggested CW frequencies are: 1822, 3502, 7006, 10104, 14007, 21007, 24897 and 28020 kHz. Also, look for activity on 6 meters. QSL only direct to XU7MDY address on **(QRZ.com)**.

YJ, VANUATU

Operators Mat/JA1JQY and Kuni/JA8VE will be active from here between October 31st and November 6th. Callsigns will be given when they visit the telecom office on Vanuatu. Activity

will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. They will try 160m if local situation permits. JA1JQY handles his own QSLs. JF1OCQ handles JA8VE's QSLs. Direct address is as follows:
JA1JQY - Shigeo Matsu, 2-31-10 Shimoseya, Seya, Yokohama, 246-0035 JAPAN
JF1OCQ - Hiroyuki Miyake, 1-3-6 Asakura, Maebashi, 371-0811 JAPAN

YL90, LATVIA

Radio amateurs from Latvia will be using the special event prefix YL90 all through November 2008. This is to celebrate the 90th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Latvia. The Republic of Latvia was proclaimed on November 18, 1918.

ZP0, PARAGUAY

Tom, ZP5AZL, plans to be active as ZP0R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via ZP5AZL. Visit Tom's Web page at:

http://www.qsl.net/cx6vm/ZP5AZL

ZS8, MARION ISLANDS

There is still no activity reported. For updates and the first official announcement of ZS8T being on the air, please visit the official ZS8T Web site at:

http://zs8t.net

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